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Status							
1)[Responsive to communication(s) filed on 20.	June 2006					
		is action is non-final.					
-	tters, prosecution as to th	e merits is					
-/_) Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under <i>Ex parte Quayle</i> , 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.						
Dispositi	on of Claims	•	,				
4)⊠	Claim(s) <u>1-4</u> is/are pending in the application.						
	4a) Of the above claim(s) is/are withdrawn from consideration.						
	Claim(s) 1 is/are allowed.						
· <u> </u>	Claim(s) 2 is/are rejected.						
· · · —	Claim(s) <u>3 and 4</u> is/are objected to.						
8)□	Claim(s) are subject to restriction and	or election requirement.					
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9)□	The specification is objected to by the Examir	ner					
· —	10) The drawing(s) filed on is/are: a) accepted or b) objected to by the Examiner.						
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DETAILED ACTION

Response to Arguments

1. Applicant's arguments with respect to claim 2 have been considered but are moot in view of the new ground(s) of rejection.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

2. The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless -

- (e) the invention was described in (1) an application for patent, published under section 122(b), by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent or (2) a patent granted on an application for patent by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent, except that an international application filed under the treaty defined in section 351(a) shall have the effects for purposes of this subsection of an application filed in the United States only if the international application designated the United States and was published under Article 21(2) of such treaty in the English language.
- 3. Claim 2 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by Matsumoto et al. (U.S. 2002/0007487 A1).

Regarding claim 2, Matsumoto '487 discloses a receiving device (Fig. 1) configured to receive a signal transmitted from an external transmission device (i.e., noted the remote controller as shown in Fig. 7) to execute a corresponding operation (noted the operations as shown in Figs. 2 and 3), comprising:

a receiving unit (i.e., Fig. 1, the elements 133 and 131) configured to receive signal transmitted from said external transmission device (i.e., noted the transmitted signal received from the remote controller 139); and

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a converting unit (i.e., noted the system controller circuit 131) configured to convert the received signal into the corresponding operation to be executed by the receiving device (i.e., noted that the control circuit 131 is configured to convert the received signals from the remote controller 139 to perform the respective operation as shown in Figs 2 and 3 within the receiving device 100),

wherein said converting unit is configured to change a kind of operation converted from the received signal according to a request from said external transmission device (i.e., as shown in Figs. 10 and 11, the converting unit 131 is configured to change the set value of the sound volume in sound quality to a value +1 larger than the present set value according to a request from the remote controller 139; see paragraphs 0059-0062).

Allowable Subject Matter

- 4. Claim 1 is allowed.
- Claims 3 and 4 are objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would 5. be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

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Conclusion

6. Applicant's amendment necessitated the new ground(s) of rejection presented in this Office action. Accordingly, **THIS ACTION IS MADE FINAL**. See MPEP § 706.07(a). Applicant is reminded of the extension of time policy as set forth in 37 CFR 1.136(a).

A shortened statutory period for reply to this final action is set to expire THREE MONTHS from the mailing date of this action. In the event a first reply is filed within TWO MONTHS of the mailing date of this final action and the advisory action is not mailed until after the end of the THREE-MONTH shortened statutory period, then the shortened statutory period will expire on the date the advisory action is mailed, and any extension fee pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a) will be calculated from the mailing date of the advisory action. In no event, however, will the statutory period for reply expire later than SIX MONTHS from the date of this final action.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Aung S. Moe whose telephone number is 571-272-7314. The examiner can normally be reached on Flex.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Edward F. Urban can be reached on 571-272-7899. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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